

IN THE CLAIMS

This is a complete and current listing of the claims, marked with status identifiers in parentheses. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for selecting and reporting a potential ~~selecting~~ participant for a medical project with selection criteria (12) for patients (50), said method comprising ~~the following steps:~~

— checking patient data, (6) contained in a data processing system (4) and associated with patients, with (50) ~~are checked in respect of~~ ~~to~~ the selection criteria (12);
— selecting the patient (50) associated with the patient data (6) ~~is selected~~ as a potential participant if the selection criteria (12) ~~are met;~~ and
— reporting the selected patient (50) ~~is reported~~ as a potential participant.

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein
— the verification, (8) ~~in~~ with respect ~~of~~ ~~to~~ the selection criteria, (12) takes place automatically when the patient data (6) ~~in~~ the data processing system (4) change.

3. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 or 2, ~~in which~~ wherein, in order to conduct the medical project, an agreement of the participant is needed in which
— when a patient (50) ~~is selected~~ as a potential participant, the data processing system (4) automatically generates a request asking for the participant's agreement,
— the request is transmitted to the patient (50), and
— in the event of an agreement, the patient (50) ~~is selected as a participant and reported as such.~~

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 3, ~~in which~~wherein the selection of a patient ~~(50)~~—as a potential participant takes place during a treatment of the patient ~~(50)~~ which is correlated with the medical project, wherein —the request is generated during the treatment and transmitted to the patient—~~(50)~~, and —if the patient ~~(50)~~—agrees, the treatment is continued on him as a participant in accordance with the medical project.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims, in which~~claim 1, wherein —rules of conduct ~~(64)~~—are assigned to the medical project, and —when a patient ~~(50)~~—is selected as a potential participant, the rules of conduct ~~(64)~~—are reported.

6. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 5, ~~in which~~wherein —when a patient ~~(50)~~—is selected as a potential participant, the rules of conduct ~~(64)~~—are assigned to ~~him~~the selected patient.

7. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 5—or 6, ~~in which~~wherein —the rules of conduct ~~(64)~~—are transmitted to a workflow management system.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims, in which~~claim 1, wherein —a clinical study is conducted as the medical project.

9. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein, in order to conduct the medical project, an agreement of the participant is needed in which

when a patient is selected as a potential participant, the data processing system automatically generates a request asking for the participant's agreement,

the request is transmitted to the patient, and

in the event of an agreement, the patient is selected as a participant and reported.

10. (New) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the selection of a patient as a potential participant takes place during a treatment of the patient which is correlated with the medical project, where

the request is generated during the treatment and transmitted to the patient, and

if the patient agrees, the treatment is continued on him as a participant in accordance with the medical project.

11. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein rules of conduct are assigned to the medical project, and when a patient is selected as a potential participant, the rules of conduct are reported.

12. (New) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein when a patient is selected as a potential participant, the rules of conduct are assigned to the selected patient.

13. (New) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the rules of conduct are transmitted to a workflow management system.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein a clinical study is conducted as the medical project.